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To whom it may concern:

I am sick and tired of the jealousy and pettiness of this lawsuit against Microsoft. The consumers who are supposedly hurt are not being helped by the lawsuit. It seems to me it is socialism in action. "Everyone should be equal; no one can show up anyone else by their excellence in product production or shrewdness in marketing" etc. etc. It is like unto those who take all the fun out of Little League competition by giving EVERYONE a meaningless trophy. The lawsuit against Microsoft, in a childish way, send the message "You can't win. There can be no winners. If there are winners, they will be coerced to share their winnings with the loser who puts up the biggest fuss." I say, let the losers, Netscape in this case, find a better way to EXCEL; and then they won't be crying about Microsoft's success, but touting their own. I dare say if that happened they would be very chagrined and reluctant to hand over their newly acquired profits to Microsoft.

Let us rather put an end to this government favoritism and let capitalism thrive producing better products for us all. Competition and freedom are what have driven all of our great accomplishments. We all suffer when slavery is enforced.

Sincerely,

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